

# Texas Ports 2007 – 2008 Capital Program



# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Texas ports are continually expanding and investing in their facilities. These investments and expansions allow them to remain competitive with ports in other states. Each port provides a distinct service to their customers. By providing first-class facilities to their customers, Texas Ports will continue to strengthen both Texas and their economic stability.

Over the next 20 years, all modes of freight transportation in Texas will see significant increases. By establishing a funding base for the Port Access Account, Texas ports can remain competitive with other states, expand their customer base, and continue to assist in alleviating pollution and congestion on our Texas roads.

Competitor states in the Gulf region are taking a much more proactive role in port development:

- Louisiana's Port Priority Program provides \$26 million annually to its ports for infrastructure projects.
- Florida provides approximately \$35 million per year to its ports through the Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development program.
- The State of Mississippi funds selected port projects directly.
- The State of Alabama contributed \$80 million toward the construction of the Choctaw Point Container Terminal.

Fourteen ports provided their capital plans for the FY 2007 – 2008 period with 12 of the ports having capital projects that are eligible for funding through the Port Access Account Fund (Port Isabel did not report any eligible projects; the Port of Texas City is a private entity and therefore not eligible for funding from the Fund). The estimated total cost of the 77 identified projects is \$609,392,744. Funding for these projects from the Port Account would necessitate the legislature approving approximately \$234,227,539. This amount is the total of all project costs minus funding arranged from other sources and scheduled port contributions. A summary of the planned projects for each port is provided beginning on page 4 of this report. The planned projects range from facility upgrades to security enhancements. All are important to our ports, the economy, and the stability of the Texas transportation infrastructure.

As required by Chapter 55 of the Transportation Code, this report has been prepared to increase the awareness of the impact Texas ports have on our state and to assist the legislature in determining the funds that are needed to keep our ports competitive with other states. The profiles for each of the ports that responded can be found in Appendix A. In addition, a copy of Chapter 55 of the Texas Transportation Code (Funding of Port Security, Projects, and Studies) is included as Appendix B.

# TEXAS PORTS

Texas Ports contribute dramatically to the economy of the State. Employing over one million Texans, the ports contribute \$30 billion annually to our economy, and generate approximately \$5 billion in local and state tax revenue.



The Texas port system is important to the entire nation. In 2004 Texas ports handled 11,071 deep-sea vessel calls (18.5% of the national total). In terms of tonnage, they handled 20% of the nation's total maritime cargo in 2004.

Texas has more than 970 wharves, piers, and docks for handling freight located on 271 miles of deep-draft waterways and 750 miles of shallow-draft channels – waterways which are maintained by the Corps of Engineers. Texas ports are continually expanding and investing in their facilities. These investments and expansions allow them to remain competitive with ports in other states, while providing their customers with first class facilities.



Ports provide a valuable service to the community. They accomplish goals that are in line with the Texas Department of Transportation's mission. Ports help to mitigate congestion and expand economic opportunity in the state of Texas by providing multimodal choices for freight movement and provide an economic engine by encouraging domestic and international trade in Texas. In addition, Texas ports help improve air quality, enhance safety, and reduce the maintenance needed on our highways.

Up until now, ports have accomplished these goals without financial assistance from the State of Texas. A state Port Access Account exists in statute, but a funding mechanism has never been identified. Currently, the Texas Department of Transportation helps ports by funding projects that improve or construct roads that allow ports to have better access to the state highway system, but funding is limited to projects outside the port gates. Freight moving through Texas ports, waterways, highways, and rail facilities are expected to balloon over the next 20 years – between 50% and 85% depending on the mode. It may be in the state's best interest to start looking for ways to invest more into these systems in order to maintain a world class transportation system in Texas.



As required by Chapter 55 of the Transportation Code, enclosed is the most recent list of port projects submitted by the Texas Ports.



# PORT AUTHORITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

According to the Transportation Code, Section 55.006, the Texas Transportation Commission is required to appoint a seven-member Port Authority Advisory Committee. This committee is governed by Title 43, Section 1.84 of the Texas Administrative Code, and has been established to advise the commission and TXDOT on port issues. In addition, the committee is to establish a forum for exchanging information between the commission, TXDOT, and the various members that represent the Texas port system.

The individuals listed below comprise the committee:

Wade Battles, Port of Houston  
Chris Fisher, Port of Beaumont  
John LaRue, Port of Corpus Christi  
Robert Van Borssum, Port of Port Lavaca –  
Point Comfort  
A.J. “Pete” Reixach, Port of Freeport  
Tony Rigdon, Port of Palacios  
Bernard List, Port of Brownsville



# PORT PROJECT SUMMARY

Port and Project Description	Total Estimated Cost	Potential Port Funding <sup>1</sup>	Amount Eligible for State Funding	Funds to be Supplied by Others
<b>PORT OF BEAUMONT</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Rail Improvement project	\$16,000,000	\$1,884,800	<b>\$1,884,800</b>	\$12,230,400
Orange Co. access improvements	\$11,000,000	\$4,252,000	<b>\$4,252,000</b>	\$2,496,000
Build a multi-use wharf	\$18,500,000	\$9,250,000	<b>\$9,250,000</b>	
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Extension of Harbor Island Wharf	\$28,500,000	\$14,250,000	<b>\$14,250,000</b>	
New Transit Shed in Lot #9	\$9,000,000	\$4,500,000	<b>\$4,500,000</b>	
New Double Layberth for Military Vessels	\$8,500,000	\$4,250,000	<b>\$4,250,000</b>	
Orange County Transit Shed	\$6,750,000	\$3,375,000	<b>\$3,375,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$98,250,000</b>	<b>\$41,761,800</b>	<b>\$41,761,800</b>	<b>\$14,726,400</b>
<b>PORT OF BROWNSVILLE</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Dock 16 construction of new marine facility	\$16,000,000	\$8,000,000	<b>\$8,000,000</b>	
Port road construction	\$3,700,000	\$310,294	<b>\$310,294</b>	\$3,079,412
Port deepening feasibility study	\$6,700,000	\$1,675,000	<b>\$1,675,000</b>	\$3,350,000
Expand capacity of waste-water treatment plant	\$400,000	\$200,000	<b>\$200,000</b>	
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Construct security canopies over gate entrances	\$70,000	\$35,000	<b>\$35,000</b>	
Construct new maintenance facility	\$300,000	\$150,000	<b>\$150,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$27,170,000</b>	<b>10,370,294</b>	<b>10,370,294</b>	<b>\$6,429,412</b>
<b>PORT OF CORPUS CHRISTI</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Channel improvements at La Quinta terminal	\$50,648,599	\$10,000,000	<b>\$10,000,000</b>	\$30,648,599
Road and bridge infrastructure for access	\$11,900,000	\$1,190,000	<b>\$1,190,000</b>	\$9,520,000
Reuse planning of Ingleside Naval station	\$7,750,000	\$500,000	<b>\$500,000</b>	\$6,750,000
Security improvements	\$10,366,000	\$1,250,000	<b>\$1,250,000</b>	\$7,866,000
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Joe Fulton International corridor improvement	\$49,967,000	\$1,246,000	<b>\$1,246,000</b>	\$47,475,000
La Quinta Trade gateway Phase II	\$11,700,000	\$1,170,000	<b>\$1,170,000</b>	\$9,360,000
Reuse planning of Ingleside Naval station	\$7,750,000	\$1,000,000	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	\$5,750,000
Oil Dock Upgrades	\$3,000,000	\$1,500,000	<b>\$1,500,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$153,081,599</b>	<b>\$17,856,000</b>	<b>\$17,856,000</b>	<b>\$117,369,599</b>
<b>PORT FREEPORT</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
New dock for multi-use facility	\$17,600,000	\$8,800,000	<b>\$8,800,000</b>	
Paving and site work for berth 7	\$6,000,000	\$3,000,000	<b>\$3,000,000</b>	
New transit shed	\$15,000,000	\$7,500,000	<b>\$7,500,000</b>	
Security systems	\$2,450,000	\$50,000	<b>\$50,000</b>	\$2,350,000
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Relocate bulk loader	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	<b>\$500,000</b>	
Paving and site work for berth 7	\$5,000,000	\$2,500,000	<b>\$2,500,000</b>	
New access gate for new berths	\$800,000	\$400,000	<b>\$400,000</b>	
Berth 7 Project	\$12,600,000	\$6,300,000	<b>\$6,300,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$60,450,000</b>	<b>\$29,050,000</b>	<b>\$29,050,000</b>	<b>\$2,350,000</b>

<sup>1</sup> Assuming State contribution is maximized

Port and Project Description	Total Estimated Cost	Potential Port Funding <sup>1</sup>	Amount Eligible for State Funding	Funds to be Supplied by Others
<b>PORT OF GALVESTON</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Security enhancements	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	
Paving delivery areas	\$600,000	\$300,000	<b>\$300,000</b>	
Construct parking lot	\$75,000	\$37,500	<b>\$37,500</b>	
New warehouse construction	\$200,000	\$100,000	<b>\$100,000</b>	
Sprinkler system installation	\$150,000	\$75,000	<b>\$75,000</b>	
Demolition of obsolete warehouses	\$600,000	\$300,000	<b>\$300,000</b>	
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Secure easements and construct new entrance	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	<b>\$500,000</b>	
Harbor deepening	\$8,500,000	\$4,250,000	<b>\$4,250,000</b>	
Construct new warehouse at Pier 34	\$2,700,000	\$1,350,000	<b>\$1,350,000</b>	
Construct roads and rehabilitate rail crossings	\$5,000,000	\$2,500,000	<b>\$2,500,000</b>	
Dredge a turning basin to widen harbor	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$22,825,000</b>	<b>\$11,412,500</b>	<b>\$11,412,500</b>	
<b>PORT OF HARLINGEN</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Construct new warehouse	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	
<b>PORT OF HOUSTON</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Gate and access control	\$4,666,631	\$2,333,316	<b>\$2,333,315</b>	
Roll on/Roll off Platform, fender reconstruction, and channel dredging	\$4,200,000	\$2,100,000	<b>\$2,100,000</b>	
Bayport terminal road enhancements	\$6,587,500	\$3,293,750	<b>\$3,293,750</b>	
Bayport terminal building repair	\$12,021,000	\$6,010,500	<b>\$6,010,500</b>	
Bayport terminal wharf and dredging	\$57,000,000	\$28,500,000	<b>\$28,500,000</b>	
Bayport terminal construction, Phase 1, Stage 2	\$46,601,000	\$23,300,500	<b>\$23,300,500</b>	
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Bayport cruise terminal parking expansion	\$5,286,000	\$2,643,000	<b>\$2,643,000</b>	
Bayport terminal wharf cranes	\$9,200,000	\$4,600,000	<b>\$4,600,000</b>	
Bayport terminal construction Phase 1, Stage 3	\$48,230,000	\$24,115,000	<b>\$24,115,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$193,792,131</b>	<b>\$96,896,066</b>	<b>\$96,896,065</b>	
<b>PORT LAVACA/POINT COMFORT</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
New guard stations	\$249,014	\$93,381	<b>\$93,380</b>	\$62,253
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$249,014</b>	<b>\$93,381</b>	<b>\$93,380</b>	<b>\$62,253</b>
<b>PORT MANSFIELD</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Rebuild north side cargo dock	\$800,000	\$400,000	<b>\$400,000</b>	
Rebuild old warehouse and 150 ft of bulkhead	\$750,000	\$375,000	<b>\$375,000</b>	
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Complete any portion of FY 2007 projects remaining				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,550,000</b>	<b>\$775,000</b>	<b>\$775,000</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Assuming State contribution is maximized

Port and Project Description	Total Estimated Cost	Potential Port Funding <sup>1</sup>	Amount Eligible for State Funding	Funds to be Supplied by Others
<b>PORT OF PALACIOS</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Port development	\$1,500,000	\$750,000	<b>\$750,000</b>	
South Bay marina expansion	\$1,500,000	\$750,000	<b>\$750,000</b>	
Infrastructure repairs (paving)	\$100,000	\$50,000	<b>\$50,000</b>	
Camera surveillance system	\$50,000	\$25,000	<b>\$25,000</b>	
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Commercial Center property	\$1,500,000	\$750,000	<b>\$750,000</b>	
Infrastructure repairs (paving & road repairs)	\$100,000	\$50,000	<b>\$50,000</b>	
Port property land development	\$200,000	\$100,000	<b>\$100,000</b>	
Dock repairs to bulkhead and pier	\$75,000	\$37,500	<b>\$37,500</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,025,000</b>	<b>\$2,512,500</b>	<b>\$2,512,500</b>	
<b>PORT OF PORT ARTHUR</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Port dredging	\$1,200,000	\$600,000	<b>\$600,000</b>	
Land acquisition	\$2,200,000	\$1,100,000	<b>\$1,100,000</b>	
Alternative fuel project	\$150,000	\$75,000	<b>\$75,000</b>	
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Berth dredging	\$1,400,000	\$700,000	<b>\$700,000</b>	
Transit shed expansion	\$8,500,000	\$4,250,000	<b>\$4,250,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,450,000</b>	<b>\$6,725,000</b>	<b>\$6,725,000</b>	
<b>PORT OF VICTORIA</b>				
<b>FY 2007:</b>				
Port/rail extension	\$5,000,000	\$2,500,000	<b>\$2,500,000</b>	
Dock #2 upgrades	\$2,500,000	\$1,250,000	<b>\$1,250,000</b>	
Build container dock	\$13,000,000	\$6,500,000	<b>\$6,500,000</b>	
Construct multi-purpose warehouse	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	<b>\$1,000,000</b>	
Security upgrades	\$1,900,000	\$950,000	<b>\$950,000</b>	
Port access improvement	\$1,500,000	\$750,000	<b>\$750,000</b>	
<b>FY 2008:</b>				
Expand rail staging area	\$400,000	\$200,000	<b>\$200,000</b>	
Removal of finger piers to allow for expansion	\$250,000	\$125,000	<b>\$125,000</b>	
Dock #1 extension	\$1,500,000	\$750,000	<b>\$750,000</b>	
Erosion control	\$2,300,000	\$1,150,000	<b>\$1,150,000</b>	
Infrastructure development	\$1,200,000	\$600,000	<b>\$600,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$31,550,000</b>	<b>\$15,775,000</b>	<b>\$15,775,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL ALL PROJECTS</b>	<b>\$609,392,744</b>	<b>\$234,227,541</b>	<b>\$234,227,539</b>	<b>\$140,937,664</b>

<sup>1</sup> Assuming State contribution is maximized



## APPENDIX A – PORT PROFILE INFORMATION





# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF BEAUMONT



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**Legal Name:** Port of Beaumont Navigation  
District of Jefferson County, Texas

**Governing Body:** Port of Beaumont is a navigation district and political subdivision of the State of Texas. The port is governed by six commissioners, elected on staggered six-year terms by voters in the district.

**Mission:** The Port of Beaumont is responsible to the taxpayers of its district for the improvement of navigation and the development of maritime shipping and waterborne-related commerce to and from its wharves; and the maintenance, development, extension and improvement of wharf and dock facilities of the Port of Beaumont to promote economic growth in our district and the State of Texas and in the interest of national defense.

## Major Goals and Objectives:

1. Be a competitive force along the Gulf Coast and maximize the flow of waterborne trade by providing productive facilities, equipment and support services
2. Improve marine terminals, build new cargo capacity and promote private investment to the benefit of the taxpayers' interests
3. Be a leader in providing services and facilities to accommodate the transportation of cargo and to foster economic growth and development

**Hinterland Served:** Midwest and Western United States, Texas, Mexico and Canada

**Principal Trading Partners:** Brazil, Canada, Iraq, Russia, China

## Principal Activities and Products:

Principal activities include import and export breakbulk and bulk cargo, with emphasis on forest products, agricultural commodities, aggregate, ash products, project and military cargo. Beaumont is a strategic military port, and also has layberths for Maritime Administration ships.

- **Imports:** Forest products, aggregate, military cargo, steel, project cargo
- **Exports:** Bulk grain, potash, forest products, military cargo, project cargo

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF BEAUMONT

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	2,978,172	2,848,285	2,954,139	2,707,524
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$12,394,166	\$17,692,932	\$19,001,331	\$23,123,437

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
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### ***Rail Improvement Project***

55.008 (1),(2) (A,B,C)	This project is currently in the final stages of engineering and funding has been acquired. The project is located within the port's property on the South bank of the Neches River. The project will improve the efficiency and capacity of the port to receive and dispatch railcars from the three linehaul railroads that serve the terminal.	\$16,000,000	\$3,796,600	\$12,230,400
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### ***Orange County Access Improvements***

55.008 (1) (2) (A,B,C)	This project builds and expands on an earlier project to provide the next phase for railroad and heavy truck access to the port's Orange County facilities. It will provide basic rail access to this waterfront property to allow for the development of this property for cargo-handling purposes.	\$11,000,000	\$8,504,000	\$2,496,000
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### ***New General Cargo Wharf on Orange County Property***

55.008 (2) (C,E)	In order to gain full development potential on the port's Orange County property, cargo-handling wharves must be constructed on the waterfront. This project would be a multi-use wharf with a 1200 psf live load capacity; 450 feet in length and 140 feet in width. Also required would be mooring structures and dredging to -40 MLT.	\$18,500,000		
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<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

### **\*Breakout of Funding by Others (Funds are anticipated, not necessarily committed)**

Project Title	Funding Source	Amount
Rail Improvement Project	CMAQ	\$7,040,000
	TEALU	\$5,190,400
Orange County Access Improvements	TEALU	\$2,496,000

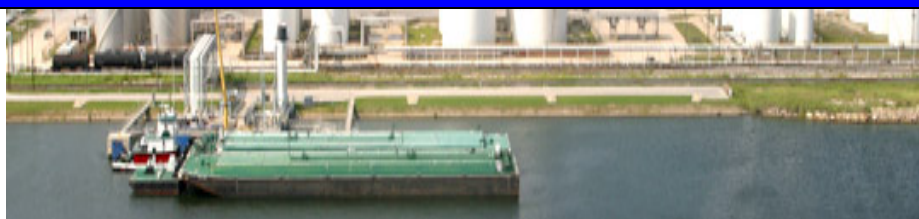
# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF BEAUMONT

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others
<b><i>Extension of Harbor Island East Wharf w/ Transit Shed</i></b>				
55.008 (2)(A,C)	Extension and expansion of the port's most utilized facility.	\$28,500,000		
<b><i>New Transit Shed in Lot #9</i></b>				
55.008 (2)(C)	This project would construct a new transit shed and related improvements on a location relative close to the waterfront.	\$9,000,000		
<b><i>New Double Layberth for Military Vessels</i></b>				
55.008 (2)(B,C)	Multi-purpose berth on the port's Orange County waterfront would provide docking and loading/unloading capacity for military ships.	\$8,500,000		
<b><i>Orange County Transit Shed</i></b>				
55.008 (2)(A,C,E)	Transit shed and rail spur improvements to enhance the functionality of Orange County development.	\$6,750,000		

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF BROWNSVILLE



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**Legal Name:** Brownsville Navigation District

**Governing Body:** The Brownsville Navigation District is governed by a Board of Commissioners consisting of five elected officials. These commissioners serve four-year terms on a staggered basis.

**Mission:** To be a leader in developing economic opportunities, improving the quality of life and creating jobs for the citizens of the communities we serve, creating the best transportation facilities possible and exhibiting high standards of public administration.

## Major Goals and Objectives:

1. Facilitate load movements and provide efficient intermodal links
2. Increase the productivity in the Port
3. Operate with high levels of quality, efficiency and competitiveness
4. Operate according to the ecological regulations
5. Strengthen and maintain the relationship between Port/City/Region
6. Attract new industry to the area

**Hinterland Served:** Mexico, Central and South America and United States

**Principal Trading Partners:** Mexico, Central/South America, China, Korea, Japan, Germany and Belgium

**Principal Activities and Products:** Steel and other metals, Petroleum Products, Ores and Minerals, Vegetable Oils, Grains

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	4,630,149	4,003,568	3,764,971	4,501,621
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$8,762,350	\$8,903,079	\$9,365,420	\$10,751,205



# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF BROWNSVILLE

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
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### ***Dock 16***

55.008(a)(2)(A)	Construction of a new heavy multi-purpose marine dock facility	\$16,000,000	\$16,000,000	
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### ***Port Road Construction***

55.008(a)(1)	Construction and Rehabilitation of Port road facilities	\$3,700,000	\$620,588	\$3,079,412
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### ***Port Deepening Feasibility Study***

55.008(a)(2)(A,C)	Feasibility study to deepen and widen the Brownsville ship channel	\$6,700,000	\$3,350,000	\$3,350,000
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### ***Expansion of Northside WWTP***

55.008(a)(2)(C)	Expansion of capacity at the north side wastewater treatment plant	\$400,000	\$400,000	
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<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

### **\*Breakout of Funding by Others (Funds are anticipated, not necessarily committed)**

Project Title	Funding Source	Amount
Port Road Construction	FHWA	\$2,000,000
	TxDOT	\$1,079,412
Port Deepening Feasibility Study	USACE	\$3,350,000

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
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### ***Security Canopy Construction***

55.008(a)(2)(B)	Construction of canopies over security areas at gate entrances.	\$70,000	\$70,000	
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### ***Construction of New Maintenance Facility***

55.008(a)(2)(B)	Construction of new warehouse for maintenance facility offices, supplies and equipment.	\$300,000	\$300,000	
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<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF CORPUS CHRISTI



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**Legal Name:** Port of Corpus Christi Authority

**Governing Body:** The Port of Corpus Christi Authority is a navigation district and political subdivision of the State of Texas. The Authority is governed by a Port Commission composed of seven commissioners: three appointed by the City of Corpus Christi City Council, three appointed by the Nueces County Commissioners Court, and one appointed by the San Patricio County Commissioners Court.

**Mission:** The mission of the port is to serve as a regional economic development catalyst while protecting and enhancing its existing industrial base and simultaneously working to diversify its international maritime cargo business.

## Major Goals and Objectives:

1. Channel Improvement Project – Extension of the La Quinta Channel
2. Development of La Quinta Trade Gateway – Road and Bridge Infrastructure
3. Reuse and design of facilities at Naval Station Ingleside acquired during BRAC 2005
4. Construction of the Joe Fulton International Trade Corridor
5. Security Improvements
6. Oil Dock Upgrades

**Hinterland Served:** Texas, Central, Eastern and Western United States, Canada, Mexico and China

**Principal Trading Partners:** Venezuela, Nigeria, Mexico, Saudi Arabia, Columbia, Algeria, Kuwait, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand and Cuba

**Principal Activities and Products:** Dry bulk terminals, general cargo terminals, public and private oil docks, refrigerated warehouse, grain terminals, cotton compress, day cruises, multi-purpose cruise terminal/conference center

**Imports:** Crude oil, gas oil, fuel oil, bauxite ore, feed stock, naphtha, condensate, reformat, toluene, frozen beef, fresh fruits

**Exports:** Fuel oil, gasoline, feed stock, diesel, alumina, petroleum coke, toluene, cumene gas oil, asphalt, coal.

Strategic military deployment seaport for Department of Defense: Since the beginning of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, 100 ships were loaded and unloaded, 41,989 pieces of equipment were handled using 8,596 rail cars and 4,353 trucks.

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	80,958,923	85,131,124	86,393,803	86,785,950
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$25,160,999	\$26,879,813	\$28,371,297	\$32,731,892

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF CORPUS CHRISTI

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b>Channel Improvement Project – La Quinta Terminal</b>				
55.008 (2)(c)	Navigation improvements to widen, deepen and extend the Corpus Christi Ship Channel system to the La Quinta Channel, the Port's container terminal	\$50,648,599	\$10,000,000	\$21,222,999
<b>La Quinta Trade Gateway – Road &amp; Bridge Infrastructure</b>				
55.008 (2)(a)	Construction of road and bridge infrastructure for access to container terminal	\$11,900,000	\$2,380,000	\$9,520,000
<b>Naval Station Ingleside-Reuse Planning</b>				
55.008 (2)(f)	Reuse and design of facilities at Naval Station Ingleside acquired during BRAC 2005	\$7,750,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
<b>Security Improvements</b>				
55.008 (2)(b)	Additional fencing, lighting, camera surveillance equipment, underwater detection technology, patrol boat	\$10,366,000	\$1,250,000	\$3,874,250

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

### \*Breakout of Funding by Others (Funds are anticipated, not necessarily committed)

Project Title	Funding Source	Amount
Channel Improvement Project	Federal	\$21,222,999
La Quinta Trade Gateway—Road & Bridge Infrastructure	State/Federal	\$9,520,000
Naval Station Ingleside	US Office of Economic Adjustment	\$1,000,000
Security Improvements	US DHS Grant	\$3,874,250

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

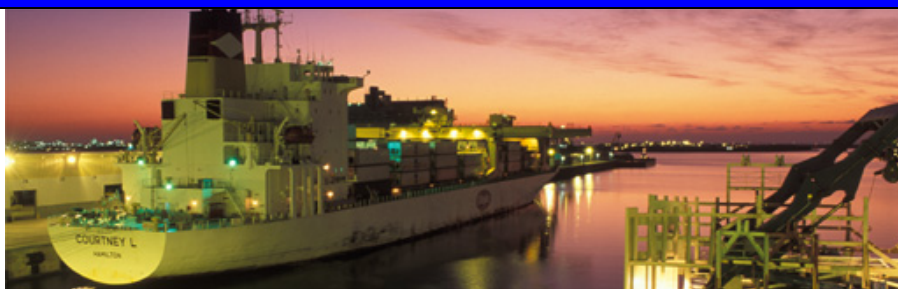
Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b>Joe Fulton International Trade Corridor</b>				
55.008 (2)(f)	Construction of 11.5 mile road and rail project to improve access to more than 2,000 acres of land for future development	\$49,967,000	\$1,246,000	\$521,000
<b>La Quinta Trade Gateway – Phase II Infrastructure</b>				
55.008 (2)(a)	Construction of road and bridge infrastructure for access to container terminal	\$11,700,000	\$2,340,000	\$9,360,000
<b>Naval Station Ingleside-Reuse Planning</b>				
55.008 (2)(f)	Reuse and design of facilities at Naval Station Ingleside acquired during BRAC 2005	\$7,750,000	\$1,000,000	\$500,000
<b>Oil Dock 11 Upgrades</b>				
55.008 (2)(e)	Design and upgrades to accommodate larger ships	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

### \*Breakout of Funding by Others (Funds are anticipated, not necessarily committed)

Project Title	Funding Source	Amount
Joe Fulton International Trade Corridor	Federal	\$521,000
La Quinta Trade Gateway—Phase II	State/Federal	\$9,360,000
Naval Station Ingleside	US Office of Economic Adjustment	\$500,000

# PORT PROFILE – PORT FREEPORT



## Contact Information:

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P.O. Box 615  
Freeport, TX 77542-0615  
(979)233-2667  
[www.portfreeport.com](http://www.portfreeport.com)

**Legal Name:** Brazos River Harbor Navigation  
District of Brazoria County, Texas

**Governing Body:** Port Freeport district is governed by a board of six commissioners, who are elected by the citizens of the district. Each commissioner serves a six-year term.

**Mission:** The Brazos River Harbor Navigation District / Port Freeport serves its customers and stakeholders through the development and marketing of competitive world class navigation capabilities, technically advanced marine and multimodal terminal services and port-related industrial facilities while achieving profits and creating jobs as a leading economic catalyst for the district and the Texas Gulf Coast.

**Major Goals and Objectives:** Become the largest Port in Texas

**Hinterland Served:** Houston, Brazoria County, State of Texas, Midwest, Central and Southwest United States, and Mexico

**Principal Trading Partners:** Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Brazil, Columbia, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Venezuela, and Costa Rica

**Principal Activities and Products:** Imports include petroleum crude, fruit, textiles, aggregate paper goods and plastics. Top export commodities include autos, chemicals, clothing, foods, paper goods, and plastics. Port Freeport is currently ranked 13<sup>th</sup> in the nation on international tonnage and 23<sup>rd</sup> in the nation in total tonnage.

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	27,164,000	27,800,000	28,500,000	33,900,000
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$5,669,620	\$6,184,620	\$6,570,514	\$8,881,117

(Includes foreign and domestic)



# PORT PROFILE – PORT FREEPORT

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b>Berth 7 Project</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(c)	New dock for multi-use facility	\$17,600,000	\$17,600,000	
<b>Berth 7 paving / site work</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(c)	Civil site work and paving for berth 7	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	
<b>Transit shed 6</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(f)	Construct new transit shed	\$15,000,000	\$15,000,000	
<b>Security systems</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(b)	Security infrastructure investments	\$2,450,000	\$100,000	\$2,350,000

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

### \*Breakout of Funding by Others (Funds are anticipated, not necessarily committed)

Project Title	Funding Source	Amount
Security Infrastructure	U.S DHS. Grant	\$2,350,000

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b>Relocate Bulk Loader</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(c)	Modification of fixed bulk loader	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	
<b>Civil site/paving for berth 7</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(c)	Civil site work and paving for berth 7	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	
<b>Gate facilities for berth 7</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(b)	New main access gate for new berths	\$800,000	\$800,000	
<b>Berth 7 Project</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(c)	New dock for multi-use facility	\$12,600,000		

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF GALVESTON



## Contact Information:

Port of Galveston  
123 Rosenberg Avenue, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Galveston, TX 77550  
(409) 766-6100  
[www.portofgalveston.com](http://www.portofgalveston.com)

**Legal Name:** Board of Trustees of the Galveston Wharves

**Governing Body:** The Board of Trustees of the Galveston Wharves (Port of Galveston) is a municipally owned port operated by a public agency, whose seven trustees are appointed by the City Council of the City of Galveston. One member of the Board of Trustees is an ex-officio representative of the City Council.

**Mission:** The Mission of the Board of Trustees of the Galveston Wharves is to manage the assets and resources under its stewardship so as to create optimum economic benefit for the City of Galveston and its local region.

**Major Goals and Objectives:** Improve competitive position of the Port in relation to the state-funded ports in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida and the tax-supported ports in Texas by accomplishing the following:

1. Construct a third Cruise Ship Terminal and Berth
2. Construct channel-front bulkhead, fill in antiquated slips, make improvements to piers and aprons and construct paved areas for intermodal, heavy equipment, break bulk and bulk cargo handling
3. Construct at least 60,000 square feet of state-of-art Transit-Shed/warehouse space
4. Demolish obsolete and out-of-service warehouses

**Hinterland Served:** Galveston, Galveston County, Harris County, Fort Bend County, Brazoria County, Chambers County, the State of Texas, and surrounding states and U.S. Mid-West

**Principal Trading Partners:** Mexico, Guatemala, Panama, Columbia, Venezuela, Brazil, Dominican Republic, Spain, Italy, Egypt, Israel, Turkey, Bulgaria, Belgium, England, Germany, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Singapore, China

**Principal Activities and Products:** Cruise Ship Operations (1<sup>st</sup> in Texas, 1<sup>st</sup> in the Gulf of Mexico, 4<sup>th</sup> in the United States and 11<sup>th</sup> in the World), Roll-On/Roll-Off Operations, Grain Export Operations, General Dry Bulk Import and Export Operations, Liquid Bulk Storage and Export Operation, Refrigerated Cargo Operations, Offshore Support Services, Vessel & Offshore Rig Repair Services, Container Operations

- **Imports:** Containers, Bananas. Agricultural Equipment, Machinery, Vehicles, Fertilizer Products, Lumber Products, Military-related cargoes
- **Exports:** Bulk grains, Containers, Machinery, Vehicles, Liner Board and Paper, Carbon Black, Light Fuels

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF GALVESTON

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	3,356,568	3,429,084	3,385,119	4,550,014
<b>Cruise Passengers</b>	266,830	373,345	434,855	532,241
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$13,930,346	\$13,864,516	\$14,474,565	\$17,360,287

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
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### **Security Enhancements**

55.002 (c)(1)	Signage, surveillance systems, fencing/architectural elements and traffic control devices between 17 <sup>th</sup> Street and 29 <sup>th</sup> Street North of Harborside (Tourist Area).	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	
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### **Cruise Terminal No. 2**

55.002 (c)(1)	Paving Stores Delivery Area	\$600,000	\$300,000	
55.002 (c)(1)	Construct parking lot adjacent to Cruise Terminal No. 2	\$75,000	\$37,500	
55.002 (c)(1)	Construct a 10,000 sq. ft. warehouse adjacent to Cruise Terminal No. 2	\$200,000	\$100,000	

### **Sprinkler System – Plant 14**

55.002 (c)(6)	Install a sprinkler system in Plant 14 appropriate for the storage of wood products and household goods.	\$150,000	\$75,000	
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### **Demolition of Obsolete/Out-of-Service Warehouses**

55.002 (c)(3)	Demolition of Pier 39 and Pier 40 warehouses, repair wharf and apron, and install lighting	\$600,000	\$300,000	
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<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
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### **41<sup>st</sup> Street Harborside Entrance**

55.002 (c)(5)	Secure easements and construct entrance from Harborside Drive/State Highway 275 to Old Port Industrial at 41 <sup>st</sup> Street	\$1,000,000	\$500,000	
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### **Harbor Deepening**

55.002 (c)(2)	Take advantage of the on-going U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Galveston Channel deepening project.	\$8,500,000	\$4,250,000	
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### **Pier 34 Warehouse**

55.002 (c)(3)	Construct 75,000 square foot cargo storage warehouse at or near Pier 34	\$2,700,000	\$1,350,000	
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### **Internal Traffic Circulation**

55.002 (c)(3)	Construct roads and rehabilitate railroad crossings to ensure safety and to improve internal traffic circulation	\$5,000,000	\$2,500,000	
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### **Turning Basin**

55.002 (c)(2)	Dredge a turning basin in the Galveston Channel to widen harbor by 200 feet to accommodate larger cruise ships	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	
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<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF HARLINGEN



## Contact Information:

P.O. Box 2646  
4 miles E. on FM 106  
Harlingen, TX 78551  
(956)423-0283  
www.portofharlingen.com

**Legal Name:** Port of Harlingen Authority

**Hinterland Served:** South Texas and northern Mexico

**Governing Body:** The Port of Harlingen Authority is a navigation district and political subdivision of the State of Texas. The Authority is governed by a Port Commission composed of three elected commissioners.

## Principal Trading Partners:

**Mission:** The mission of the port is to serve as an industrial park for economic development.

## Principal Activities and Products:

- **Imports:** petroleum, cement, sand, fertilizer
- **Export:** Sugar

## Major Goals and Objectives:

Expand our customer base

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	861,114	852,119	903,695	946,963
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$540,609	\$550,650	\$548,867	\$559,313

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b>East Side Warehouse Construction</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(E)	Construction of 350x85 warehouse on east side turning basin	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project



# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF HOUSTON



## Contact Information:

111 East Loop North  
Houston, TX 77029  
(713)670-2400 (main number)  
[www.portofhouston.com](http://www.portofhouston.com)

**Legal Name:** Port of Houston Authority

**Governing Body:** The Port of Houston Authority is governed by a board of seven commissioners appointed by the officials of local governments located along the Houston Ship Channel. The commissioners serve without pay and are appointed for two-year terms, which are staggered so that three or four commissioners are appointed or reappointed each year.

**Mission:** The mission of the Port of Houston Authority is to provide, operate and maintain waterways and cargo and passenger facilities to promote trade and generate favorable economic affects upon and contribute to the economic development of the Port Authority, the City of Houston, Harris County and the Texas Coastal Region at rates that provide sufficient funds to cover the Port Authority's operational expenses and capital investments.

## Major Goals and Objectives:

1. Turning basin gates access and control
2. RO/RO platform and fender maintenance
3. Bayport container yard and terminal gate complex

**Hinterland Served:** Houston, Harris County, State of Texas, Midwest, Central, Southwest and Western United States, Canada and Mexico

**Principal Trading Partners:** Mexico, Venezuela, Iraq, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Germany, Brazil, China, Belgium, Chile, Netherlands

**Principal Activities and Products:** Petroleum and petroleum products, organic chemicals, crude fertilizers and minerals, cereals and cereal products, iron and steel articles, machinery, plastics, vehicles (except Railway)

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	28,659,972	30,018,820	32,772,971	34,594,436
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$107,008,000	\$119,382,000	\$134,950,000	\$154,978,000

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF HOUSTON

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b><i>North Turning Basin Gate &amp; Road</i></b>				
55.008(2)(B)	Gate and access control	\$4,666,631	\$4,666,631	0
<b><i>Woodhouse Terminal RoRo Ramp &amp; Fender</i></b>				
55.008(2)(C)	RoRo platform and fender reconstruction and channel dredging	\$4,200,000	\$4,200,000	0
<b><i>Bayport Terminal Port Road Enhancements</i></b>				
55.008(1)	Port Road Ph. 2 construction and 2-lane DC southbound SH146	\$6,587,500	\$6,587,500	0
<b><i>Bayport Terminal Construction of Maintenance &amp; Repair Building</i></b>				
55.008(2)(C)	Maintenance & repair building	\$12,021,000	\$12,021,000	0
<b><i>Bayport Terminal Wharf &amp; Dredging</i></b>				
55.008(2)(C)	Wharf & dredging berth 3	\$57,000,000	\$57,000,000	0
<b><i>Bayport Terminal Construction Phase 1 Stage 2</i></b>				
55.008(2)(C)	Bayport phase 1 stage 2 terminal gate & container yard construction 48 acres	\$46,601,000	\$46,601,000	0

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b><i>Bayport Cruise Terminal Parking</i></b>				
55.008(2)(D)	Bayport Cruise Terminal parking lot expansion, passenger bridge and canopy	\$5,286,000	\$5,286,000	0
<b><i>Bayport Terminal Wharf Cranes</i></b>				
55.008(2)(C)	5 RTG cranes 2009-27 of 63 at Bayport	\$9,200,000	\$9,200,000	0
<b><i>Bayport Terminal Construction Phase 1 Stage 3</i></b>				
55.008(2)(C)	Bayport phase 1 stage 3 terminal gate complex construction	\$48,230,000	\$48,230,000	0

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

# PORT PROFILE – PORT ISABEL



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Port Isabel, TX 78578  
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**Legal Name:** Port Isabel San Benito  
Navigation District

**Hinterland Served:** Rio Grande Valley of  
Texas

**Governing Body:** The port is governed by an elected Board of Canal Commissioners. The Board consists of three commissioners with staggered four-year terms. The district comprises 1/3 of Cameron County with approximately 33,000 registered voters.

**Principal Trading Partners:** Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala, Belize

**Mission:** The port maintains one key element of the economic development assets of the area. The port has sustained operations, constructed new facilities and offered economic development incentives without resorting to the collection of a property tax.

**Principal Activities and Products:** The port property is the Laguna Madre area's industrial park. Marina's, Shrimp Trawler berths, Processing and Cold Storage facilities all exist on port property. Shipping operations include RO/RO service to Central America, Passenger Cruise Operations and capital vessel lay-berths. In addition, off-shore oil work has significantly increased in the area.

## Major Goals and Objectives:

No Capital projects identified

# PORT PROFILE – PORT LAVACA – POINT COMFORT



## Contact Information:

Robert H. Van Borssum, Port Director  
P.O. Box 397  
Point Comfort, TX 77978  
(361)987-2813  
www.portofplpc.com

**Legal Name:** The Port of Port Lavaca - Point Comfort

**Governing Body:** The Port of Port Lavaca - Point Comfort is a public port authority and political subdivision of the State of Texas. The Port Authority is governed by a Board composed of six elected board members.

**Mission:** The Port of Port Lavaca - Point Comfort serves as a gateway to the world economy for the Texas Mid-Coast Region. The port plays a vital role in supporting Texas chemical manufacturing industries and in building a stable economic foundation for Calhoun County.

## Major Goals and Objectives:

1. Widening and deepening of the Matagorda Ship Channel [Section 55.008 (2)(c)]
2. Rehabilitation of the Matagorda Ship Channel jetties [55.008 (2)(c)]
3. Security enhancements [Section 55.008 (2)(b)]

**Hinterland Served:** Mid-Texas Coastal Region and South Western United States

**Principal Trading Partners:** Mexico, South America, Caribbean and Far East (Taiwan)

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	4,672,378.1	5,645,757.6	5,252,698.1	4,877,489.2
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$1,489,318.00	\$560,844.00	\$920,157.00	\$788,303.00

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b>Security Enhancements</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(b)	Create new guard stations for security personnel that will be compatible with TWIC	\$249,014	\$186,761	\$62,253
<b>Dry Bulk Dock</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(c)	Construct a new dry bulk dock	\$15,000,000	0	\$15,000,000

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

# PORT PROFILE – PORT MANSFIELD

**Contact Information:**

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Raymondville, TX 78580  
(956) 689 3332  
[www.portofmansfield.com](http://www.portofmansfield.com)

**Legal Name:** Willacy County Navigation District

**Governing Body:** 3-member Board of Commissioners elected during odd-numbered years

**Mission:** Port Mansfield, which is operated by Willacy County Navigation District, strives to maximize the utilization of the port's infrastructure, increase the number of port-related jobs and personal income with sustainable development, and maintain environmental stewardship while furnishing the greatest economic benefit to the district's taxpayers.

**Major Goals and Objectives:**

1. NAFTA trade with Mexico;
2. domestic trade in agricultural products and construction materials,
3. offshore oil supply

**Hinterland Served:** Raymondville, Willacy County and south Texas

**Principal Trading Partners:** None

**Principal Activities and Products:** Sport fishing, South Texas Spaceport

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$800,000	\$900,000	\$800,000	\$1,100,000



# PORT PROFILE – PORT MANSFIELD

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
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### ***North Side Cargo Dock***

55.008(a)(2)(c)	Rebuild 300 ft of bulkhead west of MI Drilling dock	\$800,000	\$800,000	
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### ***District Barn and Bulkhead***

55.008(a)(2)(c)	Rebuild old warehouse and 150 ft of bulkhead in front of building	\$750,000	\$750,000	
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<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
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### ***North Side Cargo Dock***

55.008(a)(2)(c)	Complete any portion of 2007 Plan remaining	\$800,000	\$800,000	
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### ***District Barn and Bulkhead***

55.008(a)(2)(c)	Complete any portion of 2007 Plan remaining	\$750,000	\$750,000	
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<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF PALACIOS



## Contact Information:

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Palacios, TX 77465  
Phone: (361)972-5556 Fax: (361)972-3584  
[www.portofpalacios.com](http://www.portofpalacios.com)

**Governing Body:** 3 member Board of Commissioners – elected

**Mission:** Matagorda County Navigation District #1 exists to develop and maintain safe navigation and marine facilities, and to stimulate economic development in the District.

**Major Goals and Objectives:** To support the existing seafood industry in Palacios and to support the development of the tourism industry in the area, to create additional job opportunities for the people in the District, and to help improve the overall economic conditions in the region and in the State of Texas. Our major objectives are:

1. To attract commercial and industrial business to the Port's Commercial Center.
2. To encourage the development of Port property in a manner which provides commerce and jobs to sustain the community for the future and to help our District prosper.
3. To develop Port properties in an environmentally responsible way to enhance the overall attractiveness and sustainability of the area.

**Hinterland Served:** The Port of Palacios provides a safe harbor for commercial fishermen from the three counties around Matagorda Bay – Matagorda, Jackson and Calhoun counties, for other Texas ports and for other Gulf Coast ports.

**Principal Trading Partners:** Commercial fishermen from ports in the other states around the Gulf of Mexico visit the Port of Palacios to sell their shrimp and other seafood, re-provision their boats with fuel and supplies, repair and refit their vessels.

**Principal Activities and Products:** The major industries are fishing and tourism. Over 15 million pounds of headless shrimp are harvested annually from the bays and Gulf by Palacios fishermen. This catch has a landed value at the boat of over \$25 million. Processing, marketing and distribution costs add about \$120 million and the full consumer market value for this shrimp is about \$175 million annually. Over 350 commercial fishing boats operate from the three turning basins at the Port and are affiliated with the fish houses located at the Port. These boats and fish houses provide employment for about 3,050 people. The cost for recent new Gulf shrimp boats ranges from \$800,000 to \$1.2 million. The Port does not have any passenger traffic or any international import/export business operations at this time.

The Port of Palacios leases dock and property space to commercial seafood operators and distributors, shipyards and barge manufacturing facilities. The Port also serves the recreational boating industry with two marinas providing a total capacity of 56 wet slips and 7 dry storage spaces. MCND #1 properties also include the Texas State Marine Education Center and Brookings-Hays Yacht Harbor Subdivision.

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF PALACIOS

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage*</b>	15.1	15.7	13.5	12.1
<b>Revenues</b>				
<b>Port:</b>	\$2,106,400	\$1,568,404	\$1,169,093	\$1,181,637
<b>Operators:</b>	\$30.6 million	\$30.8 million	\$26.0 million	\$23.1 million

\*(Million pounds of shrimp)

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b>Port Development</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(e)	Port development	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	
<b>South Bay Marina Expansion</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(e)	South Bay Marina	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	
<b>Infrastructure Repairs</b>				
55.008(a)(1)	Paving	\$100,000	\$100,000	
<b>Camera Surveillance System</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(b)	Camera surveillance system	\$50,000	\$50,000	

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b>Commercial Center Property</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(e)	Commercial center property	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	
<b>Infrastructure Repairs</b>				
55.008(a)(1)	Road paving/Road repairs	\$100,000	\$100,000	
<b>Port Property</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(e)	Land development	\$200,000	\$200,000	
<b>Dock Repairs</b>				
55.008(a)(2)(e)	Bulk head and pier	\$75,000	\$75,000	

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF PORT ARTHUR



## Contact Information:

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**Legal Name:** Port of Port Arthur Navigation District of Jefferson County, Texas

**Governing Body:** The Port of Port Arthur is a political subdivision of the State of Texas. A Port Commission composed of five at-large elected commissioners governs the Port.

**Mission:** The Port has led the way for its district in economic development through job creation and retention while simultaneously working to diversify and enhance its international cargo business.

**Major Goals and Objectives:** Improve the Port's competitive posture in a niche commodity market by strengthening its physical assets.

1. Maintaining a 40' safe berth and channel
2. Acquisitions of AFDM-2 dry-dock
3. Public/Private partnership for alternative fuels
4. Acquisition of 46 acres of waterfront property for port expansion
5. Expansion of transit shed capacity

**Hinterland Served:** Rail and truck service to all points within the United States, Canada and Mexico. Barge service to cities along the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, and the Mississippi, Missouri, Illinois, Ohio and Tennessee River Systems.

**Principal Trading Partners:** Mexico, Central & South America, United Kingdom, European Continent, Sweden, Norway and the Mediterranean Sea area.

## Principal Activities and Products:

- **EXPORTS:** Forest Products 71,833 short tons; Petroleum Coke 23,684 short tons; Steel Pipe 3,616 short tons; Project Cargo 1,985 short tons
- **IMPORTS:** Steel slabs 501,480 short tons; Forest Products 317,342 short tons; Project Cargo 6,768 short tons; Petroleum Coke 3,202 short tons.

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	756,204	846,794	1,018,180	1,041,136
<b>Operating Revenues</b>	\$6734,941	\$6,918,700	\$8,449,110	\$8,607,726

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF PORT ARTHUR

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b><i>Port Dredging</i></b>				
55.008 (2)(A)	Dredging of berths 1 – 5 to 40' depth to insure safe navigation of berths and waterway every 6 months	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	
<b><i>Land Acquisition</i></b>				
55.008 (1)	Purchase 46 acres adjacent and west of the port from KCS Railroad for port expansion and future business development	\$2,200,000	\$2,200,000	
<b><i>Alternative Fuel Project</i></b>				
55.008 (2)(F)	Conduit for public/private partnership to develop a hydrogen and synthetic gas plant by converting residue byproduct from the oil refining process	\$150,000	\$150,000	

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b><i>Berth Dredging</i></b>				
55.008 (2)(A)	Dredging of berths 1 – 5 to 40' depth to insure safe navigation of berths and waterway every 6 months	\$1,400,000	\$1,400,000	
<b><i>Transit Shed Expansion</i></b>				
55.008 (2)(A)	Construction of a 250,000 square foot transit shed to accommodate diversification of breakbulk cargoes in international trade	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000	

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project



# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF TEXAS CITY



## Contact Information:

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**Legal Name:** Texas City Terminal Railway Company dba Port of Texas City

**Major Goals and Objectives:** The Port of Texas City is a privately owned Landlord port. We lease approximately 1500 acres of land to various industrial entities that operate petrochemical plants and refineries and tank and terminal facilities. We provide dock facilities, pipeline easements and rail transportation to our tenants in support of their continued productivity and growth

**Principal Activities and Products:** Crude Petroleum Oil is principal inbound cargo. Refined Petroleum Products (Gasoline, Diesel, Chemicals) are the primary outbound cargos.

	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Cargo Tonnage</b>	64,512,444	63,699,622	70,216,515	60,648,772
(Net tons)				

## CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b><i>Dock 15 Bulk Head Replacement</i></b>				
55.008(a)(2)(c)	Replace approximately 900 linear feet of steel sheet pile bulk heading near Dock 15	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	
<b><i>Relocation of Rail Switching and Storage Yard</i></b>				
55.008(a)(1)	Relocation of a major rail switching and storage yard	\$11,000,000	\$5,500,000	\$5,500,000

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF VICTORIA



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**Legal Name:** Victoria County Navigation District

**Governing Body:** 3-member Commission appointed by Victoria County Commissioners Court

**Mission:** To provide waterway transportation capabilities to create economic opportunity in the region.

## Major Goals and Objectives:

1. Container on barge service
2. Development of industrial park
3. Development of other port properties
4. Liquid cargo dock facility
5. Economic development for the region

**Hinterland Served:** Entire 26,000-mile U.S. Inland Waterway System

**Principal Activities and Products:** Sand and gravel, chemicals and petrochemicals, fertilizers, grain and grain products, project cargo

	2002	2003	2004	2005
Cargo Tonnage	5,500,000	6,150,000	6,150,000	6,250,000

# PORT PROFILE – PORT OF VICTORIA

## FY 2007 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b><i>Extend Rail Spur</i></b>				
55.002(c)(1)(2)(A,C, E)	Extend Port rail spur for better tenant service and unit trains	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	
<b><i>Dock #2 Upgrade</i></b>				
55.002(2)(C, E)	Upgrade of Port of Victoria dock #2 for liquid products	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	
<b><i>Container Dock Construction</i></b>				
55.002(2)(A, C, E, F)	Build container dock	\$13,000,000	\$13,000,000	
<b><i>Multi-Purpose Warehouse Construction</i></b>				
55.002(2)(E)	30,000 sq ft multi-purpose warehouse	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	
<b><i>Security Project</i></b>				
55.002(2)(B)	Security – Canal and dock intrusion detection and surveillance upgrade	\$1,900,000	\$1,900,000	
<b><i>Road Upgrades</i></b>				
55.002(1)	Road upgrades to improve port access	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

## FY 2008 CAPITAL PLAN

Eligibility <sup>1</sup>	Project Description	Total Cost	Port Funds	Funding by Others*
<b><i>Rail Staging Area Enlargement</i></b>				
55.002(1)(2)(A,C,E)	Enlarge rail staging areas	\$400,000	\$400,000	
<b><i>Demolition and Removal of Finger Piers</i></b>				
55.002(2)(C)	Demolition and removal of "finger piers" to extend Port of Victoria dock #1	\$250,000	\$250,000	
<b><i>Dock #1 Extension</i></b>				
55.002(2)(C)	Extension of POV Dock #1	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	
<b><i>Erosion Control</i></b>				
55.002(2)(C)	Erosion control in Turning Basin and shoreline erosion control	\$2,300,000	\$2,300,000	
<b><i>Construction Project</i></b>				
55.002(2)(E)	Construction of tow boat refueling, potable water, and bilge water recycling station	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	

<sup>1</sup>Section of the Transportation Code which applies to the project

## APPENDIX B – TRANSPORTATION CODE



# CHAPTER 55 – TRANSPORTATION CODE

## TRANSPORTATION CODE CHAPTER 55. FUNDING OF PORT SECURITY, PROJECTS, AND STUDIES

§ 55.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

- (1) "Commission" means the Texas Transportation Commission.
- (2) "Committee" means the Port Authority Advisory Committee.
- (3) "Department" means the Texas Department of Transportation.
- (4) "Fund" means the port access account fund.
- (5) "Port security, transportation, or facility project" means a project that is necessary or convenient for the proper operation of a port and that will improve the security, movement, and intermodal transportation of cargo or passengers in commerce and trade.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001. Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1325, § 18.02, eff. June 21, 2003.

§ 55.002. PORT DEVELOPMENT FUNDING.

- (a) From money in the fund, the department shall fund:
  - (1) port security, transportation, or facility projects; and
  - (2) port studies.
- (b) The department may not fund a port security, transportation, or facility project unless an amount at least equal to the amount provided by the department is invested in the project by a port authority or navigation district.
- (c) Port security, transportation, or facility projects eligible for funding under this chapter include:
  - (1) construction or improvement of transportation facilities within the jurisdiction of a port;
  - (2) the dredging or deepening of channels, turning basins, or harbors;
  - (3) the construction or improvement of wharves, docks, structures, jetties, piers, storage facilities, cruise terminals, or any facilities necessary or useful in connection with port transportation or economic development;
  - (4) the construction or improvement of facilities necessary or useful in providing port security;
  - (5) the acquisition of container cranes or other mechanized equipment used in the movement of cargo or passengers in international commerce;
  - (6) the acquisition of land to be used for port purposes;
  - (7) the acquisition, improvement, enlargement, or extension of existing port facilities; and
  - (8) environmental protection projects that:
    - (A) are required as a condition of a state, federal, or local environmental permit or other form of approval;
    - (B) are necessary for the acquisition of spoil disposal sites and improvements to existing and future spoil sites; or
    - (C) result from the undertaking of eligible projects.
  - (D) The department, in consultation with the committee, shall review the list of projects recommended by the committee to evaluate the economic benefit of each project. The commission, after receiving recommendations from the committee and from the department, shall approve projects or studies for funding based on its review.



# CHAPTER 55 – TRANSPORTATION CODE (Continued)

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001. Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1325, § 18.03, eff. June 21, 2003.

§ 55.003. GIFTS AND GRANTS. The department may accept gifts, grants, and donations from any source for the purposes of this chapter.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

§ 55.004. AUDIT. The department may subject a project that receives money under this chapter to a final audit.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001. Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1325, § 18.04, eff. June 21, 2003.

§ 55.005. PORT ACCESS ACCOUNT FUND.

- (a) The port access account fund is an account in the general revenue fund.
- (b) The following money shall be credited to the fund:
  - (1) money received from gifts, grants, and donations; and
  - (2) interest earned on deposits and investments of the fund.
- (c) Money in the fund may be appropriated only to the department to perform the department's powers and duties concerning port transportation and economic development under this chapter and to pay the department's expenses incurred under this chapter.
- (d) The financial transactions of the fund are subject to audit by the state auditor.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

§ 55.006. PORT AUTHORITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE. (a) The committee consists of seven members appointed by the commission.

The members shall be appointed as follows:

- (1) one member from the Port of Houston Authority;
  - (2) three members who represent ports on the upper Texas coast; and
  - (3) three members who represent ports on the lower Texas coast.
- (b) A committee member serves at the pleasure of the commission.
- (c) The committee must meet at least semiannually.
- (d) A member is not entitled to compensation for service on the committee but is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable expenses the member incurs in performing committee duties.
- (e) Section 2110.002, Government Code, does not apply to the committee.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001. Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1325, § 18.05, eff. June 21, 2003.

§ 55.007. DUTIES OF COMMITTEE. The committee shall:

- (1) prepare a port mission plan;
- (2) review each project eligible to be funded under this chapter and make recommendations for approval or disapproval to the department;
- (3) maintain trade data information that will assist ports in this state and international trade;
- (4) annually prepare a list of projects that have been recommended by the committee, including:
  - (A) the recommended funding level for each project; and

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- (B) if staged implementation of the project is appropriate, the funding requirements for each stage; and
- (5) advise the commission and the department on matters relating to port authorities.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001. Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1325, § 18.06, eff. June 21, 2003.

### § 55.008. CAPITAL PROGRAM.

- (a) The committee shall prepare a two-year port capital program defining the goals and objectives of the committee concerning the development of port facilities and an intermodal transportation system. The port capital program must include projects or studies submitted to the committee by any port and recommendations for:
  - (1) the construction of transportation facilities connecting any port to another transportation mode; and
  - (2) the efficient, cost-effective development of transportation facilities or port facilities for the purpose of:
    - (A) enhancing international trade;
    - (B) enhancing security;
    - (C) promoting cargo flow;
    - (D) increasing cruise passenger movements;
    - (E) increasing port revenues; and
    - (F) providing economic benefits to the state.
- (b) The committee shall update the port capital program annually and shall submit the capital program not later than February 1 of each year to:
  - (1) the governor;
  - (2) the lieutenant governor;
  - (3) the speaker of the house of representatives; and
  - (4) the commission.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001. Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1325, § 18.07, eff. June 21, 2003.

### § 55.009. RULES. The commission shall adopt rules to implement this chapter.

Added by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1325, § 18.08, eff. June 21, 2003.



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